

1 **Rule 17. The petition.**

2 (a) Delinquency cases.

3 (a)(1) The petition shall allege the offense as it is designated by statute or ordinance, and
4 shall state: in concise terms, the definition of the offense together with a designation of the
5 section or provision of law allegedly violated; the name, age and date of birth of the minor; the
6 name and residence address of the minor's parents, guardian or custodian; the date and place of
7 the offense; and the name or identity of the victim, if known.

8 (a)(2) The petition shall be verified and ~~may be~~ filed by ~~a designated intake officer or the~~
9 prosecuting attorney upon information and belief ~~on behalf of the officer or person who referred~~
10 ~~the minor.~~

11 (b) Neglect, abuse, dependency, permanent termination and ungovernability cases.

12 (b)(1) The petition shall set forth in plain and concise language the jurisdictional basis as
13 designated by statute, the facts supporting the court's jurisdiction, and the relief sought. The
14 petition shall state: the name, age and residence of the minor; the name and residence of the
15 minor's parent, guardian or custodian; and if the parent, guardian or custodian is unknown, the
16 name and residence of the nearest known relative or the person or agency exercising physical or
17 legal custody of the minor.

18 (b)(2) The petition must be verified and statements made therein may be made on
19 information and belief.

20 (b)(3) A petition filed by a state human services agency shall either be prepared or approved
21 by the office of the attorney general. When the petitioner is an employee or agent of a
22 state agency acting in his or her official capacity, the name of the agency shall be set forth and
23 the petitioner shall designate his or her title.

24 (c) Other cases.

25 (c)(1) Protective orders. Petitions may be filed on forms available from the court clerk and
26 must conform to the format and arrangement of such forms.

27 (c)(2) Expungements. The petition shall state: the name, age and residence of the minor. The
28 petition shall state the date and nature of each adjudication which the petitioner wishes to
29 expunge. Petitions for expungement must be accompanied by an original criminal history report
30 obtained from the Bureau of Criminal Identification and proof of service upon the County
31 Attorney, or within a prosecution district, the District Attorney for each jurisdiction in which an
32 adjudication occurred prior to being filed with the Clerk of Court. Petitions for expungement
33 must meet all of the criteria of Utah Code ~~Section~~ § 78A-6-1105.

34 (c)(3) Petitions in other proceedings shall conform to Utah Rule of Civil Procedure 10,
35 except that in adoption proceedings, the petition must be accompanied by a certified copy of the
36 Decree of Permanent Termination.